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In re Application of:
Anna P. CATANIA and James M. LIPTON
Serial No.: 09/533,341
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For: **Antimicrobial and Anti-Inflammatory
Peptides for Use in Human
Immunodeficiency Virus**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 19, 2003, and in further response to the telephonic interview conducted between the Examiner and Applicants' patent counsel on July 16, 2003, please amend the above identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper;

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 10 of this paper; and

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 15 of this paper.

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Please also review the following papers that are filed concurrently with this response:

an interview summary for the telephonic interview dated July 16, 2003;

a sequence listing pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1825; and

a 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 Affidavit of inventor James M. Lipton, Ph.D..